

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 96-212-W - ORDER NO. 96-639 ✓
SEPTEMBER 11, 1996

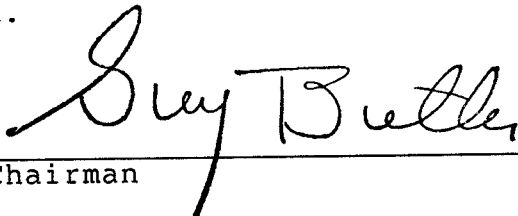
IN RE: Application of UPSTATE HEATER)	ORDER PERMITTING
UTILITIES, INC., to Transfer)	INTERVENTION
Water Systems to South Carolina)	OUT OF TIME
Water and Sewer, LLC.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the August 30, 1996, Petition to Intervene Out of Time in this docket filed by Philip S. Porter, Consumer Advocate for the State of South Carolina (the Consumer Advocate). The Consumer Advocate states that he seeks to intervene out of time in this matter because of the fact that the nature of this proceeding has changed with the intervention of other water systems apparently interested in serving the customers in Upstate Heater's present service area. The Consumer Advocate states, that prior to the return date, the Consumer Advocate was not aware of this interest. The Consumer Advocate, therefore, seeks to represent the interests of these customers, if there is to be a determination of which system can best serve them.

The Commission has examined this matter and believes that the Petition of the Consumer Advocate to Intervene Out of Time should be granted, in that we believe the Consumer Advocate has stated good reason for said Petition. The Consumer Advocate is

hereby made a party to this Docket.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until
further Order of the Commission.


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

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